

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the first full paragraph on page 1 as follows:

[0001] The present application is related to commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/716270 (~~Attorney Docket No. 03-4012~~), entitled "Optical Ad-Hoc Networks," and filed on November 17, 2003 ~~a same date herewith~~; and commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/715738 (~~Attorney Docket No. 03-4014~~), entitled "Systems and Methods for Implementing Coordinated Optical Channel Access," and filed on November 17, 2003 ~~a same date herewith~~, the disclosures of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference in their respective entireties.